

All Bureau Chiefs

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Chief, FBIB

Analysis of FBIB Monitoring effort
according to language and country

1. The attached survey was made by FBIB in order to determine how the total FBIB effort is distributed according to the various languages monitored and according to the source countries of each language. Similar BBC statistics have been included. The comparison is only approximate, however, due to the fact that the BBC has not broken down its Morse texting by language as is the policy in the FBIB wordage counts from which the percentages were calculated.
2. The percentages quoted for the various languages and countries are not a complete measure of the effort allocated to each language and source, since the content value of the wordages varies among different languages and sources.
3. The survey is intended to indicate as closely as is practicable what the FBIB allocation of effort is at present and not necessarily what FBIB considers to be an optimum allocation of effort.
4. It is desired that Chiefs of Field Bureaus study this survey and submit comments thereon to include recommendations as to how FBIB might improve its operation by a different allocation of effort. Comments and recommendations should reach this office not later than 15 August 1948.

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